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METHOD

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**PETITION TO ACCEPT UNINTENTIONALLY DELAYED PAYMENT OF
MAINTENANCE FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.378**

Registrant respectfully requests that the above-identified patent be reinstated after unintentional delay in payment of a maintenance fee. Any petition to accept an unintentionally delayed payment of a maintenance fee filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.378(c) must be filed within twenty-four months after the six-month grace period provided in § 1.362(e). The above-referenced patent issued on November 10, 1998, and the six-month grace period for payment of the 7.5 year maintenance fee ended on November 10, 2006. Thus, the deadline for filing a Petition to Accept Unintentionally Delayed Payment of Maintenance Fee is November 10, 2008. Registrant, therefore, submits that this Petition is timely filed on July 22, 2008.

The entire delay in payment of the 7.5 year maintenance fee, including period from Registrant's discovery that the maintenance fee was not timely paid until payment of the maintenance fee was due, was unintentional, per the attached Declarations from the two inventors listed on the above-referenced patent, ALEJANDRO S. MCELROY and JASON RAUCHFUSS.

Registrant asks that it be afforded the maintenance fee Rules as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.378(a). Pursuant to § 1.378(c), Registrant submits herewith the required maintenance fee of \$1,180.00 and the surcharge of \$1,640.00 as set forth in Section 1.20(i)2.

Registrant respectfully requests that the Examiner accept the maintenance fee together with surcharge in view of the unintentional delay of Registrant and withdraw any Notice of Patent Expiration.

Please charge any fees that may be required for the processing of this Petition, or credit any overpayments, to our Deposit Account No. 03-1721.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C. Hunter Baker', written over a horizontal line.

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